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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED  
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- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee --required for all utility and plant applications  
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- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

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